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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | U.S. Application No. (if known): 10/562414 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/FR2004/002321 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: September 13, 2004 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: September 16, 2003 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR MAINTAINING AN AQUEOUS SOLUTION OF SODIUM BORATE IN A LIQUID FORM AT ROOM TEMPERATURE | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Jean-François RANJARD et al. | | |
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